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P.S. No. 2. When the next Edition of  
Glaucon comes out you really must  
modify still more the obnoxious paragraph  
about new species in England, & you  
might put in something about the neglect  
of habits, homologies, & anatomy shown  
by English Entomologists.

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(\*) Sir John W. Lubbock (Sr.) (1803-1865)  
astronomer-mathematician

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11, Mansion House Street,

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London, 26 January 1857

Dear Mr. Kingsley

I have received yours of the 23<sup>rd</sup>  
& will answer it to the best of my ability in  
a day or two. I think I have Prestwich's  
paper on the Bagshot Sands & if so it is very  
much at your service, but I fear I know  
very little of your end of the Tertiary Basin.  
We were to have explored it together if you  
remember.

Our Mush Ox throws all the light  
almost that we have on the Lower level  
drift, & I fear you will not be able to



Correlate the beds south & those north  
of the Thames <sup>Valley</sup> as that Geologically speaking  
an upward elevation completely separates  
the two districts.

I do not like to put your  
question to Prestwich as he is preparing  
a paper on the Drift gravels & of course  
keeps his views & facts for that.

You have however a fine field  
before you & in return for my books  
I bargain for the loan of the manuscript

of your lecture when done with.

I hope Mr Kingsley is quite well  
please remember me very kindly to her and  
believe me ever  
Yours very sincerely.

Arthur

R. C. Kingsley.

P.S. By the way have you heard of Mr  
Beules' grand discoveries in the Purbeck  
'Dirt bed'? Several Genera & already 13  
species of Mammalia, and one of them  
granivorous?



12 July 1843

Dear Sir,

I understood that  
the reptile is a  
blackadder & very  
scarce, if so it may  
be interesting to you &  
I therefore send it

Yours obediently  
Whitbrock

— Gray Esq  
British Museum



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Handwritten text, likely bleed-through from the reverse side of the page, including the words "Dear Sir" and "Yours truly".

The first of these is the  
 fact that the population  
 of the country is increasing  
 rapidly.

A close-up photograph of a light-colored, textured surface, possibly paper or fabric, showing two large, irregular, brownish stains. A small, dark, rectangular object is visible near the bottom center.



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E. C.

Dear Sir,

I should be much  
obliged to you if you would give  
me any information you can on  
the subject of our claims on the  
Rendworth Canal.

In the brief which was submitted to Council I find out  
our the resolution of the board Mr  
Lutton bring in the claim to apply  
to L.F.M. for a loan of £2500  
but I can find no document

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connected with it & do you  
wonder whether the resolution  
was communicated to the  
Lords in a letter from Mr. Lister or  
in what other manner.

I find that an offer was  
made us of £500<sup>in 54</sup>, of which I  
have no recollection, and I  
presume it was not received.

I am glad to see that  
your son's health is so much  
improved.

Yours sincerely  
Deubon

D. Wigham Esq.

We find a copy of the resolution  
of the year last writing, but we  
want something more.



377  
P. James Place  
5 Nov. 1832

My dear Sir,

I have received the book which you did me the honor to transmit to me containing observations of the temperature of the air and of the Ocean, with your permission I shall present it to the Royal Society not being connected with the Geographical Society.

Allow me to suggest that some text containing conclusions drawn from them and some indication of the inferences to which they lead would be very interesting.

I am, Sir,  
my dear Sir,

Yours very faithfully  
Whitlock

I beg my best compliments to Mr. Napier.



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Trinity College  
28 Nov. 1832

Sir,

Having received a requisition, numerously and most respectably signed calling upon me to come forward as a candidate for the representation of the University of Cambridge at the ensuing election, I have most gratefully to acknowledge the honor which is thus conferred upon me.

Should I be returned to Parliament as your Representation, no efforts will be spared on my part to merit your confidence by attention to the interests of the University, and to make up by zeal what I may want in experience.

My political principles are in general accordance with those of the present Administration; but I shall endeavour, on every question which may be presented for consideration, to form independently the best opinion of which I am capable. I shall resist violent changes which may endanger existing Institutions, and I shall support only such gradual alterations as are required by circumstances, and for which the country is prepared.

Should any measure of Reform be proposed in the distribution of the property of the Church, not tending to alienate that property from Ecclesiastical purposes, it will have my most anxious attention: I shall not, however, support any measure which involves



interference with the vested interests of individuals,  
as I consider that the security of property ought to  
be the first object of every government.

With these views I venture respectfully to solicit  
your support on the day of Election.

I have the honor to be,

Your faithful and obedient Servant

J. W. Lubbock



St James's Place  
5th December 1832

Sir,

I beg to inform you that the poll is fixed to take place at Cambridge on Wednesday the 12<sup>th</sup> inst.

I have not disguised my political sentiments but the grounds upon which my friends have advocated my claims to your support are not of a political nature, and I consider it of so much importance to establish the principle that attachment to scientific pursuits should not constitute a disqualification for political distinction, that I am ready to contend to the utmost for that principle, although I most sincerely wish it had been entrusted to one of greater ability and superior pretensions.

Should I succeed in attaining the high honor of representing you in Parliament, I shall use my utmost endeavours to support the interests of the established Church and to promote the welfare of the University.

I again most respectfully solicit the honor of your vote and support,

and remain,

with great respect  
Your most obedient and faithful servant  
W. Lubbock

St James's Place

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Mr. Lubbock's Committee beg leave to inform you that the poll will commence on Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> inst. at Nine o'clock in the morning, and will finally close on Friday 14<sup>th</sup> inst. at 1 o'clock.

In the hope that Mr. Lubbock will be favored with your support, the Committee earnestly request your early attendance at the poll.

The Committee respectfully call your attention to the substance of the proceedings of a meeting of members of the Senate held in London, on Saturday last, Samuel Jones Lloyd Esq. in the chair.

The following resolutions were moved by Professor Cumming, seconded by Professor Christie and carried unanimously.

Resolved—

- 1<sup>st</sup> That it is highly important to the credit and character of the University of Cambridge that it should be represented in Parliament by men distinguished for their literary and scientific attainments.
- 2<sup>nd</sup> That the want of such persons in the House of Commons has on many occasions been the cause of injury to the public interests, and that the community is justly entitled to look to the Universities of the Kingdom to protect the country

against the recurrence of this evil.

3<sup>rd</sup> That in the person of J. W. Lubbock Esq. this meeting recognizes the happy union of the highest scientific attainments with practical knowledge and established habits of business, and therefore recommends him with the greatest confidence as a person peculiarly fit to represent the University of Cambridge.

The following letter from Sir John Herschel to the Secretary of Mr. Lubbock's Committee was read to the meeting.

My Dear Sir

Stoughton Nov. 30. 1861

I have received your letter accompanying Mr. Lubbock's address on the strength of that address and of my high estimation of Mr. Lubbock's scientific attainments I shall certainly support him with my vote. I have always been of opinion that such attainments ought to form one very prominent element in the motives which should determine the choice of the universities in the election of their Representatives, not only on account of the general evidence they afford of habits of impartial inquiry and concentrated thought, but more especially from the nature of the institutions themselves when if any where, the qualities on which a high scientific character depends should be cherished as valuable and held forward for imitation.

I am, Sir, Dear Sir

(Signed)

I have the honor to remain  
Yours very faithfully,  
J. F. W. Herschel



I am, Yours  
from most obedt

J R Lubbock  
to the Executors,  
of St. Francis Chantry



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How do you feel?



## CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY ELECTION.

It having been resolved, at a Meeting of Members of the Senate, held at Cambridge on the 27th of November, 1832,

### THE REV. PROFESSOR SEDGWICK IN THE CHAIR,

That "JOHN WILLIAM LUBBOCK, Esq., Vice-President of the Royal Society, is a fit and proper person to represent this University in Parliament, both on account of his scientific attainments and of his general character," a Requisition, numerously signed, was forwarded to Mr. LUBBOCK, inviting him to offer himself as a Candidate for the Representation of the University.

To this Requisition Mr. LUBBOCK has returned the following Address:—

GENTLEMEN,

Having received a Requisition, very numerously and most respectably signed, calling upon me to come forward as a Candidate for the University of Cambridge, at the ensuing Election, I have most gratefully to acknowledge the honour which is thus conferred upon me.

Should I be returned to Parliament as your Representative, no efforts will be spared on my part to merit your confidence by attention to the interests of the University, and to make up by zeal what I may want in experience.

My political principles are in general accordance with those of the present Administration; but I shall endeavour, on every question which may be presented for consideration, to form independently the best opinion of which I am capable. I shall resist violent changes which may endanger existing Institutions, and I shall support only such gradual alterations as are required by circumstances, and for which the country is prepared.

Should any measure of Reform be proposed in the distribution of the property of the Church, which does not tend to alienate that property from Ecclesiastical purposes, it will have my most anxious attention: I shall not, however, support any measure which involves interference with the vested interests of individuals, as I consider that the security of property ought to be the first object of every Government.

With these views I venture respectfully to solicit your support on the day of Election, and I shall take the earliest opportunity of paying my respects to such of the Electors as it will be within my power to wait upon.

I have the honour to be,

GENTLEMEN,

Your most obedient humble Servant,

JOHN WILLIAM LUBBOCK.

A COMMITTEE has been formed in London for securing Mr. LUBBOCK's return, who sit Daily at the British Coffee-House, Cockspur-street, where it is requested that all inquiries and communications may be addressed.

J. G. SHAW LEFEVRE,

Chairman.

British Coffee-House, Cockspur-street.

Mr. Lubbock's Committee Room, 28th November, 1832.

SIR,

I have to request that you will insert in your Journal the following letter from Professor AIRY, addressed to myself as Chairman of Mr. LUBBOCK's Committee. The Members of the Senate must be anxious to know the qualifications of one who, for the first time, offers himself as a candidate for the representation of the University; and as some of them might be unacquainted with Mr. LUBBOCK's high rank as a man of science, I wrote to Professor AIRY, in the name of the Committee, requesting the sanction of his opinion



on that single point. He is never lavish of his praise, and his reply is not written in the spirit of a party man, but it places Mr. LUBBOCK's scientific claims in a point of view sufficiently exalted to satisfy his warmest supporters, and founds them upon statements against which no one will venture to raise a cavil. Not wishing to diminish by any comment of my own the impression such a letter is fitted to produce on every unbiassed mind, I conclude by earnestly recommending it to the consideration of the Electors of the University of Cambridge.

I have the honour to be,

SIR,

Your obedient Servant,

A. SEDGWICK.

*To the Editor of the Cambridge Chronicle.*

*Observatory, Cambridge, Nov. 28, 1832.*

MY DEAR SIR,

I understand that it is wished by yourself, and by several of Mr. LUBBOCK's friends, that I should publicly express my opinion of his scientific talents and reputation; perhaps I can do that in no way better than by referring to those of his papers which have appeared in the Transactions of the Royal Society. Their character I may state in a few words; they were the first which placed us on a level as to our pretensions to original investigation in the highest branches of mathematical philosophy with the other nations of Europe. There was a time (and not many years since) when our national scientific character was extremely low. In the memoirs of other countries there appeared almost every year mathematical investigations bearing immediately on the most important points of natural philosophy, and contributing especially to the accuracy of astronomical prediction. In the English Transactions nothing similar appeared. In the country of Newton these inquiries were unknown. A single subject pursued by one of our most original mathematicians forms (as I believe) the only exception to this statement; and of all the rest of physical astronomy, I think it may be asserted, that it was known to very few, familiar to scarcely two or three, and followed up in original investigations by none. This reproach was removed from us by Mr. LUBBOCK; and if a scientific character is valuable to a nation, our gratitude is due to him.

I have not mentioned Mr. LUBBOCK's contributions (of the same kind) to the Royal Astronomical Society, nor his active superintendence and laborious discussion of observations on a subject most important, both in a philosophical and commercial view—the tides; I am willing to rest my opinion on the investigations above referred to, nor do I think myself entitled to allude in detail to his conduct in the prominent situation which (by the consent of all parties) he has occupied in the Royal Society. I shall content myself with saying, as the general opinion, that to him is due in no small degree the zeal of co-operation, and the spirit of unanimity, whose absence once seemed likely to overthrow the most venerable scientific association in Europe.

I am, my dear Sir, faithfully yours,

G. B. AIRY.

*Professor Sedgwick, Chairman of Mr. Lubbock's Committee.*

*British Coffee House,*

*London, 1st December, 1832.*

SIR,

MR. LUBBOCK's London Committee beg leave to inform you that MR. W. Y. PEEL has this day published an Address stating that he retires from the Representation of the University of Cambridge.

Notwithstanding this circumstance, MR. LUBBOCK's London Committee think it most essential to his interests to ascertain the sentiments of the Electors with as little delay as possible; and they will esteem it a particular favor if you will oblige them with an early reply to this application for your Vote and Interest on his behalf.

I have the honor to be,

SIR,

Your obedient humble Servant,

JOHN GEORGE SHAW LEFÈVRE.



LUBBOCK, John  
Astronomer  
1803-65

Sir

A.L.S. to Napier  
dated Nov. 5, 1832

135. Lubbock, Sir Wm. John (1803-1865), Astronomer and Mathematician. The conclusion of a letter, fully signed to the Executors of Sir Francis Chantrey. *JANTZEN-66*

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*Lubbock* ADDRESS to the ELECTORS of CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY, with 2 zincographed letters, dated 28 Novr. 1832 and 5th December 1832, 15s *LONDON BOTHERMAN 52*

There was no election after all, for William Yates Peel, son of Sir Robert, did not retire as he announced, but remained Member for the University until 1835.

247. LUBBOCK, SIR JOHN W. Eng. astronomer and mathematician. ALS, 3½pp., 8vo, 1857. To C. Kingsley. Very fine and interesting letter about geological explorations. *KINGSTON-66* \$17.50

LUBBOCK (Sir John William, F.R.S., banker and mathematician) A.L.S., 11, Mansion House Street, London, March 14, 1860, to D. Higham, asking for particulars concerning Rudwelly Canal, 2¼ pp. 8vo., £1. 1s *SOTH-60*

38 *ASTRONOMY* LUBBOCK (Sir John W.). 1803-65. 1 p., 4to, St. James Place, 5 Nov., 1832, to Mr. Napier, thanking him for a book "containing observations of the temperature of the air and of the ocean, with your permission I shall forward it to the Royal Society not being connected with the Geographical Society," etc. *MYERS 53* 30s



3. Woodward, Horace B. (1848-1914), F.R.S. F.G.S. ALs. to  
Bather asking him to insert date of death of Törnebohm and  
forward to Dr. Henry Woodward. (Bather was first Deputy Keeper,  
Depart. of Geology then Keeper of British Mus. 1 pp. dated  
4th July 1911, from 85 Coombe Rd., Croydon.

(HIRAM S. MAXIM), Baldwyn's Park, Bexley, Kent, June 19th/94, to Prof. Silvanus P. Thompson  
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2551. MRS. J. ...  
Teall. He has no Reynolds books "except my own edition of 'The Fancy.'"  
He had others, "all are gone now, the old familiar tales: people borrowed  
them." He then gives advice on how to contact descendents of Reynolds.

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1907, Königsstrasse 2, to Prof. Sollas, *announcing his impending visit to Oxford,*  
2 pp. 8vo. Cl. 10s.

OR LUBBOCK, Sir John W

A.L.S. to Mr. NAPIER THANKING HIM FOR A  
CONTAINING OBSERVATIONS OF THE TEMP. OF THE

OF THE OCEAN